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APPLICATION

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Sir:

Enclosed is the continuation-in-part patent application of  
Inventors: TEHRANI, et al.

Title: **DECODING SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR DIGITAL  
COMMUNICATIONS**

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Date: March 23, 2001

1. ☒ Specification, claims and abstract: 27 pages
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3. ☒ Drawings: 12 sheet(s) ☐ informal / ☒ formal
4. ☐ An Assignment and cover sheet. Please return the recorded Assignment to the undersigned.
5. ☒ Applicants are entitled to "small entity" status, and small entity status is claimed.
6. ☒ Domestic priority is claimed under 35 USC 119(e) based on the following provisional and non-provisional applications: No. 09/535,902 filed March 24, 2000 and No. 60/271,615 filed February 26, 2001.

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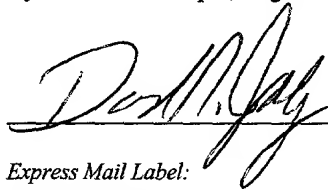
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